IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE y In rε-Patent Application φ SCS-540-544 Atty Dkt. C# M# HARRIS et al. TC/A.U. 1792 Examiner: N. Empie Serial No. 10/519,945 December 29, 2004 Date: July 10, 2008 Filed: SURFACE PREPARATION Title: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: **RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER** This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. ☐ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 25 minus highest number x \$50.00 previously paid for 25 (at least 20) = \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$ Independent claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for (at least 3) = x \$210.00 \$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$ 3 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add \$370.00 (1203)/\$185.00 (2203) \$ Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251) paper and attachment(s) Two Month Extensions \$460.00 (1252)/\$230.00 (2252) Three Month Extensions \$1050.00 (1253/\$525.00 (2253) Four Month Extensions \$1640.00 (1254/\$820.00 (2254) Five Month Extensions \$2,230.00 (1255/\$1115.00 (2255) \$ \$130.00 (1814)/\$65.00 (2814) \$ Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add Statement filed herewith Applicant claims "small entity" status. Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee \$180.00 (1806) 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) 0.00 Other: 0.00 TOTAL FEE \$ 0.00 CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM ATTACHED. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>deficiency</u>, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A <u>duplicate</u> copy of this sheet is attached.

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 11, 2008 (Paper No. 20080603), the date of response to which is July 11, 2008.

In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner distinguishes between the invention of Group I with claims 1-22, 24 and 25 and the invention of Group II directed to claim 26.

Applicants elect the invention of Group I directed to claims 1-22, 24 and 25, without traverse.

Applicants thank the Examiner for concluding that there are two separate inventions disclosed in this application and Applicants will proceed with respect to prosecution of Group I, claims 1-22, 24 and 25 in this application.

Having responded to all objections and rejections set forth in the outstanding Official Action, it is submitted that the invention of Group I as claimed in claims 1-22, 24 and 25 is in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is respectfully solicited. In the event the

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Examiner is of the opinion that a brief telephone or personal interview will facilitate allowance of one or more of the above claims, he is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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